

**SENATE RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_**

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DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

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## SENATE RESOLUTION

MR. PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

A SENATE RESOLUTION congratulating Colonel Otis L. Hicks, Jr. on his promotion to the rank of Colonel in the United States Air Force.

Whereas, Colonel Otis L. Hicks, Jr. is a native of Savannah, Georgia who united in Holy Matrimony with Hope E. Salazar and to this union of eighteen years, two children were born; a son, Jacob, who is twelve years old and a daughter, Selena, who is ten years old;

Whereas, Colonel Hicks was among the one percent of Lieutenant Colonels to be promoted to the rank of Colonel and one of the few African Americans to reach the rank of Colonel;

Whereas, Colonel Hicks is presently the Chief, Readiness Division, Directorate of the Civil Engineer, Headquarters Air Combat Command, Langley Air Force Base, Virginia where he is responsible for the Prime BEEF, RED HORSE, Fire Protection, Explosive Ordinance Disposal, Disaster Preparedness, and Individual Mobilization Augmentee Programs;

Whereas, Colonel Hicks in his current capacity provides oversight of CE's research, Development, and Acquisition

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programs for the Combat Air Forces (ACC, USAFE, PACAF) and represents ACC/CE on the Battle Staff directing all CE support during contingencies or exercises; he is also responsible for planning and training of the Response Task Force in event of incidents involving Air force nuclear weapons in the CONUS;

Whereas, Colonel Hicks in 1980, earned his Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering Technology in Savannah, Georgia and in 1983, received his Masters of Arts, Management from Webster University in Missouri;

Whereas, Colonel Hicks attended Squadron Officer School at the Maxwell Air Force Base in Alabama, the Air Command and Staff College Associate Correspondence Program, the Support Squadron Commander's Course at the Maxwell Air Force Base in Alabama, and the Air War College, Non-resident Series Seminar Program;

Whereas, Colonel Hicks' assignments have placed him in locations within the United States' territories and overseas;

Whereas, Colonel Hicks has received numerous accolades and decorations that include: the Meritorious Service Medal with six oak leaf clusters, the Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the National Defense Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with three oak leaf clusters, and the Air Force Organizational Excellence Award with one oak leaf cluster;

Be it resolved by the Senate of the  
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Senate congratulate Colonel Otis L. Hicks, Jr. on his promotion to Colonel in the United States Air Force and his contribution of service to his country.

SECTION 2. That the Secretary of the Senate shall transmit copies of this Resolution to Colonel Hicks' wife, Hope; his two



children, Jacob and Selena, and his brother-in-law, Frank Sanchez.

